

All accounts for advertising and subscription which became due on or before the first day of February, and all bills for legal advertisements which appeared in the Miner prior to that date are payable to John H. Marion. All accounts accruing since that date are payable to T. J. Butler, the present proprietor.

RUINS AGAIN.

Some one who appears to be posted, but who has failed to comply with our rule which makes it imperative upon correspondents to furnish us their names, has written us with reference to ancient ruins. We shall not violate the rule by publishing the letter but simply give a sort of a synopsis of his theory.

If the Montezuma Indians, says he, had sheep when discovered by the Spaniards then it is a plain case that Salt, Gila and Grand rivers as well as smaller streams were used for farming, and the hills and mountains for grazing. The look-outs Mr. Sanford speaks of as temples of worship, I think were camp grounds, or perhaps, temporary forts to protect the Indians while out herding sheep. There is a mound near the Black Hills with a three-foot wall enclosure and five or six smaller ones or sheep corrals in a circle around the larger one. There are great plains on the lower Agua Fria where there are large ruins, and the plains have once been covered with lava rock which has all been picked up and thrown on the larger rocks, apparently to make it better for stock.

At the place known as Point of Rocks there are two points on the side next to Granite creek; the West point has three rock walls, one six feet high in the only pass-way to the top. On top there is a flat place sixty feet across. The East peak has a slope reaching two-thirds around it before reaching the top, and at every short turn there is a wall of rock. Here he thinks part of the ancient tribe struggled their last and perished.

The Zunas, he says, yet have large houses on high places, of no earthly use except in case of attack from an enemy. These have a tradition that they once lived above Fish Springs, and that the Great Spirit shook the Earth so that the water sank at that place and raised at Fish Springs. They told the first missionaries about it and the priests fixed bunches of feathers on the ends of sticks which they consecrated and stuck near the spring with the assurance that as long as they kept them there the Great Spirit would not get angry and shake the Earth or dry up the water.

Our correspondent closes with the theory that the Pimas, Papagos, Moquis, Zunas and village Indians of New Mexico are a part of the Montezumas that have become weakened and scattered and driven to their present villages. They are, he says, as fair specimens of what we suppose those old Indians to have been as we of Arizona are of the civilization of the present day.

LIEUT. BOURKE PLAYS HIMSELF FOR AN ARIZONA GREENHORN.—It seems that Gen. Crook and Staff instead of going direct to Bakersfield, as they intended when they left here, changed their minds and took in Los Angeles, where, according to the Express, Bourke, as is his wont when he gets a "soft thing," imposed upon the Los Angeles greenies some of his practical jokes, such as he used to play upon the immigrants.

He affected to be astonished at the window curtains in his room, made quite an ado over the fact of being shaved without having half his face skinned and otherwise pulled the wool over the eyes of his credulous auditors in a way that no one but himself can approach.

The fact is his own room at headquarters in Arizona was probably as elegantly furnished as anything he saw in Los Angeles, and as for tonsorial accommodations one would have to travel a long way in California or elsewhere to find better than he was accustomed to in Prescott.

But that is his way, he always measures his subjects and gives them all the wind he thinks they will absorb.

Our dispatches tell us that San Francisco did honor to Arizona in honoring her friend on his arrival in that city. She put on her Sunday-clothes and did the handsome thing, for once at least, to one who deserved any compliment they could bestow. Moreover we take it as evidence that this country is not altogether unknown in that more enlightened portion of creation, however heedless they may appear as to the matter of securing our trade, etc. We trust it is not simply the buttons on Gen. Crook's coat, or the title he so worthily bears that has so elevated him in their eyes but that they really appreciate the great service he has rendered a struggling and long suffering people.

MILITARY ROADS.—The appropriation of \$15,000 by Congress, with an express stipulation that a road is to be built from Fort Whipple to Skull Valley direct, was a very proper thing to do, and will not only facilitate the transportation of military supplies but will be of incalculable benefit to the citizens at large, and the sooner this part of the work is done the better. Now that the money is appropriated we see no good reason for delay. Mr. McCormick has done his part nobly in inducing Congress to provide the means, and whoever has the expending of them should step right out and say so.

HORRIBLE TO CONTEMPLATE.—John Robinson, the showman, announces to the Colorado public that Susan B. Anthony is with his circus and will ride four horses in Indian costume.

CORRESPONDENCE.

ANTELOPE STATION, A. T., April 10, 1875.

EDITOR ARIZONA MINER:—Having indicated a previous letter from Williamson Valley, which place I left three days ago, it is now in order for me to tell yourself and readers that the upper as well as the lower end of Williamson Valley is pretty thickly settled by good and thrifty farmers, who, when I was there, were plowing with three horse teams. A new-comer, Mr. Nash, has his wife, children and mother very comfortably housed on a neat-looking farm, around which are thickly wooded hills. After miring my team once or twice I passed Phil McDonald's and was out of the Valley, the road from which runs towards the western extremity of Granite Mountain and intersects the great thoroughfare to Southern and Western Arizona and California. The day was cold; so cold that myself and Mr. Geo. C. Carey were compelled to build a fire, by which that good lady, Mrs. Geo. Banghart, her respected daughter and baby warmed themselves.

TONTON SPRINGS.

A very beautiful camping place, where a station is being established, was passed. A forest of good oak trees is a feature of this place. Beyond it a little way, we met several freight teams; two of them belonged to C. W. Beach, and the wagon-master, your friend John Moon, informed us that one team was hauling 18,000 pounds, and the other 16,000. With the train we noticed a lady, a few children and some soldiers.

SKULL VALLEY.

Was next reached. We pulled up at John Dickson's, warmed ourselves by a good fire, chatted a while with Mr. and Mrs. Dickson, Mrs. Ehl, Mrs. Carter and admired the latest addition to the family—a girl baby, whom John wished to trade for my little boy. Couldn't see anything to be gained by making such a trade, so I didn't encourage John. Poor little Joe, the only boy of the house of Dickson, was confined to his bed with a broken leg. The little fellow bore pain like a veteran.

The valley being one of the best and most productive in this section of Arizona, our ride down it was a pleasing affair. The fields and farms presented a very civilized appearance, as they exhibited plowmen, flocks, herds, green grass, trees and willows. It is a very moist valley, hence its beauty, etc.

KIRKLAND VALLEY.

Was next reached. Through it runs Kirkland Creek, a charming stream of water containing nice fish. P. McAtter's place is well fenced in with shade trees. Judge Kelsey's place came next and here we put up after a jolly hand-shaking with the Judge, his better half, their daughter, Mrs. C. W. Beach and her "hubby," who is, as you know, an untiring laborer for the good of himself and the Territory. Here are wagon and blacksmith shops, stage station, etc., but not a taste of the "crayther," the Judge being opposed to keeping it on the place. All that we desired was placed at our disposal, and it was with deep regret we turned our backs upon the place and its good people early next morning. The lower portion of the valley contains a great many fine farms and stock ranges.

BELL'S CAÑON.

A place that will forever remain a rough spot in the memory of Arizona pioneers, was next reached. That good lady, our mother-in-law, wondered how vehicles could get over and through so rocky a place, and it was not surprising that such a thought should find expression through her mind. You know the road goes right through one of the roughest granite mountains on earth; but, thanks to our freighters, especially to C. W. Beach, the Miller Bros. and Dr. W. W. Jones, this "middle passage" is now a pretty safe and easy one. Gen. Crook, too, has the honor of having made it safe from Indians. We showed our lady companions the scene of many a massacre of whites by Indians, and saw that they felt a little uneasy.

CAMP DATE CREEK.

Was our next halting place. Not a soldier was to be seen in or about the place; although it is not many years since soldiers were thick as bees here and around about. The adobe houses are fast going to ruin; the "fort" is now garrisoned by Jim O'Neil and a Mexican. Jim has a large flock of sheep in the vicinity, and the Mexican is herding cattle for C. W. Beach. I visited the "bivouac of the dead," found many graves caved in, and the walls of the cemetery almost level with the ground. The place contains the remains of a great many soldiers, many of whom were murdered by Indians. The military authorities would do well to fix up this decaying village of the dead.

We spent the night at the home of William Gilson, a brave old pioneer, who with his sister and her bright little girl have a charming home on Date Creek, two or three miles below the post. Mr. Gilson has a large band of American cattle, fine farm, orchard and other good things.

ANTELOPE.

A drive of about 20 miles brought us to this place where we met with a cordial reception from Mr. Geo. Wilson, about whom and his section I will have something to say in my next.

SHEEP HERDER.

LETTER NUMBER TWO.

ANTELOPE, A. T., April 14, 1875.

EDITOR MINER:—Now is the Spring time of my discontent, all owing to a foundered horse, but I must improvise some mode of getting away from here as soon as I can, and end said discontent. Not that I have been shabbily treated by friend Wilson (Yaqui, as they call him), for he, you know, is a true stump of our chivalric forest.

Yaqui is doing well with his stock and station, and assures me that the miners here give him a great deal of gold dust in exchange for his commodities. His place is on Antelope creek, less than one-fourth of a mile from Rich Hill, the place where, in the

years 1863-4, many men of many minds picked up quart cups full of gold. We were not here then, but any old Arizonan now in Prescott will tell you what an exceedingly rich bonanza that of Rich Hill was. Jack W. Swilling and A. H. Peeples were among the lucky hoppers who filled their pockets upon the occasion referred to. The gold alluded to was found almost upon the top of a very high mountain. There are now some forty men at work in the place of this vicinity, all of whom are doing pretty well. Mr. Partridge, a pioneer of the place, Mr. Marcus and others, are following quartz mining with good luck. The latter gent has a very rich mine—the Marcus.

Mr. Stanton and others have a ledge of cinnabar, specimens from which I will exhibit, should I ever again reach Prescott. The mineral range is not yet half prospected and there is no telling what treasures will yet be found and panned out of it.

The sheep and cattle raisers of this section are prosperous, as are their brethren of our more elevated country. Since leaving Prescott, I have seen in Chino, Williamson, Skull, Kirkland, Date Creek and Martinez valleys, thousands of sheep and cattle, and judging from their appearance, after exposure to the weather during the past hard winter, I must say they looked well.

Speaking of Williamson valley puts me in mind of a "painful accident" that happened while I was there. My companion took "our" little brown jug to what used to be a tavern, set it upon the counter, and asked the "boys" up. Up they went, when each one got as close to the aforesaid jug as possible, expecting, of course, to be able to wet their thirst whistles out of it, judge of the surprise of all parties present when the guardian of the jug requested the man behind the counter to pass out the liquid, who, in response, said he found himself utterly unable to comply with his desire, and was greatly disappointed at the slowness of Mr. Jug in giving up to its contents. Another "empty" explanation caused a ha, ha, all around and the "boys" immediately fell back on milder drinks than whisky. SHEEP HERDER.

MORE ABOUT MAIL MATTERS.

PRESCOTT, Arizona, April 14, 1875. EDITOR MINER:—If you will publish the enclosed dispatch (received in reply to one sent by me) it will answer your inquiry in last week's MINER as to "what will become of the Wickenburg and Ehrenberg route."

Yours truly, JAMES S. GILES, P. M. WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12, 1875. To JAS. S. GILES: No service to California via Ehrenberg after May 16. Service from Prescott to Wickenburg as usual. R. C. MCCORMICK.

CERBAT ITEMS.—Our correspondent "Crowfoot," under date of April 14th, writes: "We have a mine that discounts the McCracken for average pay rock. The Cerbat mine is creating considerable excitement, and is said to be the best in Wallapai district; is only half a mile from Cerbat; is 14 feet wide and prospects big all the way across. The owners, Williscraft & Barry, are down 20 feet and find 5 feet of the ledge at that depth to average \$364.18 in gold per ton and \$83.24 in silver. Several assays have been made of the rock and most of them have gone over \$300 in gold."

It is reported here that Steve Schmidt has found a quicksilver mine in Empire Wash, near Chloride.

All mining operations are progressing finely. Several horses and mules are missing and supposed to be stolen from the Camp.

SIGNS OF WAR IN EUROPE.—Late advices are to the effect that France and Italy are trying to form an alliance to run a tilt against Germany. Austria and Belgium are also snarling at Germany and may join the other powers. The Berlin Post says that it is probable that the present French Assembly fearing a Republican majority in the next disposed to peace, are anxious to precipitate a war of revenge upon the dangerous auspices of McMahon and the Orleans Princes, who would profit by it and spring a revolution. A strong party in Italy stand ready to oppose Germany in everything on account of her anti-Papal attitude.

We are indebted to Maurice Tondorf, of Camp Apache, for a beautifully executed invitation card to a party given by I Co., 5th Cavalry, on the 17th of March, ult.

Although bidden a little after the feast we are just as much obliged, and should have been present had it been possible.

We are informed that it was certainly the most elegant affair ever seen in Arizona. The supper, we are informed, could not have been excelled even in the East. The officers were all in full dress and had their ladies present also in full feather.

Everything was conducted in the very best manner and gave universal satisfaction.

THE FIFTH CAVALRY GOING AWAY.—Orders for the exchange of the Fifth Cavalry with the Sixth have been received at Department Headquarters. The regiments will exchange horses in New Mexico, and will move by detachments. Movement to take place May 1st.

The Sixth has been stationed in the Department of Texas.

Captain J. W. Mason, Fifth Cavalry, has been ordered to report in person at Department Headquarters.

The following names are announced as vestrymen of Grace (Episcopal) Church, San Francisco, for the ensuing year: Lloyd Tevis, T. W. Hinchman, G. W. Gibbs, J. A. Bostwick, J. B. Haggis, E. D. Morgan, A. Frey, Thomas Findley, T. E. Lindenberg, Samuel M. Wilson, H. E. Williams and Leland Stanford.

As you cannot avoid your own company make it as good as possible.

Waiting sweetest—putting your arm about a pretty woman.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Special to the Miner by U. S. Military and W. U. Lines)

EASTERN.

Washington, April 12.—Treasurer Spinner today received an autograph letter from the President accepting his resignation as Treasurer of the United States, expressing warmest sentiments of regard for him personally, and high appreciation of his well known ability, patriotism and official ability.

Paris, April 12.—The Pope has made representations to the Emperor of Austria that the position of the Church is becoming more and more intolerable and if the unreasonable demands of Prussia are not resisted by the Catholic powers the latter will lose all their influence and become subject to the German government which is endeavoring to bring the whole German nationality under one sceptre. The Emperor in replying deprecates the struggle between Church and State and advises prudence.

Washington, April 9.—Gen. B. R. Cowen, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, returned today from Salt Lake City where by direction of the President he has recently been engaged in a personal investigation of the condition of affairs.

Omaha, April 9.—The number of emigrants going west this Spring is unprecedentedly large—9,300 having already left here since March 1st. One thousand went west to-day on a special train.

Salt Lake City, April 9.—In the polygamy case now on trial at Beaver, Judge Boreman charges that polygamy committed prior to 1892 is punishable now; that polygamy is a continuous crime and that the statute of limitation does not apply.

New York, April 10.—Cardinal McClosky has been presented with a carriage and span of horses by a few prominent Catholics of this city.

Washington, April 10.—Vice President Wilson has decided not to go to Europe. He will probably visit the Pacific coast during the vacation.

Philadelphia, April 10.—It is rumored in railroad circles that the extension of the Utah Southern Railroad to San Diego, Cal., has been determined upon and that the movement will be backed by Jay Gould, who desires an ocean outlet for the Union Pacific road.

It is also reported that arrangements are being made to extend the Southern Pacific railroad to San Diego without delay.

New York, April 11.—Beecher is still on the witness stand, flatly denying the charges against him.

PACIFIC SLOPE.

San Francisco, April 13.—Gold in New York, 115 1/2; greenbacks in San Francisco, 87 1/2 @ 88.

San Diego, April 13.—T. L. Nesmith of this city has been elected a Director of the Texas Pacific Railroad Company.

Tucson, April 9.—Board of Supervisors allowed bills amounting to \$5897.46 and disallowed a number, including attorneys fees for defense of criminals who had counsel by appointment of Court.

Col. L. E. Dudley, Special Indian Commissioner, leaves here tomorrow for Chiricahua reservation. He feels pretty confident of removing the Apaches from there as easily as from Verde.

Late news from San Carlos shows that agent Clum has completely disarmed all the Indians, and that they have submitted peacefully to the strictest discipline, including a complete count every morning. They earn by labor about every article they get from the agent and their crops look very well.

San Francisco, April 12.—It is seldom that there has been noted such a unanimous sentiment in all circles, military, business, and social, as is at present expressed in regard to the review and banquet to be tendered to Gen. Crook, which takes place this evening. On every hand the desire to make General Crook's stay in San Francisco marked by pleasant episodes is apparent. Though the time at their control has been so short, the committee on arrangements for the banquet will make it a success. Gen. Crook's order to the Second Brigade has met with hearty response, every company in the three regiments will use its best endeavors to turn out the largest quota of men possible for the review.

Three hundred and fifty persons have signified their acceptance of invitations to the banquet to be given at the Lick House. The list of names shows that nearly all of our prominent citizens will be present.

The weather yesterday and to-day has been excessively warm.

Tucson, A. T., April 14.—Gov. Sanford and Adjutant-General Vossburg left yesterday for Mohave county and intermediate points. Gov. Bashford leaves to-day for the same round, but immediately for Prescott.

John Wasson, connected with the Centennial Commission, leaves on the 16th inst., for Philadelphia, to attend the annual meeting of the Commission in May. He will go via California.

Major J. W. Cornyn, the newly appointed agent for the Papago Indians, arrived here last Saturday and has entered upon his duties. He is making an excellent impression.

The Citizen has announced that it will be enlarged by July 28 columns.

The supreme government of Mexico, by recent orders, has practically stopped all freight passing through Sonora to Arizona.

A special permit hereafter will have to be granted from the City of Mexico for each and every shipment, and additional restrictions and costs imposed.

The Apaches lately removed from Verde to San Carlos have been completely disarmed and brought under splendid discipline by the combined and harmonious power exercised by agent J. P. Clum and Lieut. E. W. Ward, in command of troops at the agency. Citizens and military all agree that Mr. Clum is a superior agent and has demonstrated how much better it is to disarm Apaches.

No advice yet of how Special Commissioner Dudley is progressing with his mission to remove the Cuchise Apaches to New Mexico.

Col. Hodge left here yesterday for Camp Bowie and the north and northeastern part of the Territory.

Weather delightful.

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MINING ITEMS.

H. G. Ballou, the Yavapai Alvin Adams, brought us the following batch of items from Upper Lynx Creek this week:

Lake & Watterman have their waterwheel and arrastra in successful operation.

Kline's horse arrastra is grinding ore from the Boston lode.

Poland & Miller have one arrastra running by water and one by horse power on rock from their ledge, which is three feet thick, all pay ore.

C. Y. Shelton is still grinding away on the Vernon.

Rice & Elliott have one arrastra running on the accidental with such flattering results that they are encouraged to erect another.

Jake Hinkle & Co. are putting up a wheel below the cañon to work ore from a newly discovered lead that prospects well.

PLACER CLAIMS.

McFadden has opened the old McCracken placer claim and has found a fine body of gravel that prospects from five to ten cents. The gravel in this claim is three feet deep and the stripping from three to eight feet.

John Wells has opened an old claim below the Thunderbolt mill, in which the pay streak was lost some years ago. He has struck it again and is making it yield about \$8 to the hand.

Mr. Moore, on Johnson's Bar, has been ground sluicing this winter and cleaned up about \$800 a few days ago.

The balance of the miners on the creek have plenty of water now and are doing well, though we have no particulars. Prospecting for ledges still goes on lively and some promising discoveries have already been made.

J. R. Deroche has been busy during last week and this putting up an arrastra to work ore from the Canadian lode. He has 50 or 60 tons on the dump which he tells us will go \$30 at the least calculation and perhaps twice that. If his experiment with the arrastra proves successful with a few tons he will take the balance to Noyes' mill and have it crushed there.

One sent from this mine to San Francisco for reduction yielded a large per cent. of silver and as they have no way of saving it he proposes to concentrate the tailings either for future use or shipment.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

MISS RAY invites the ladies of Prescott and vicinity to call and examine the stock of Millinery and Fancy Articles to be opened the first of next week, at her new store, Gurley street, north side plaza, next to Dr. McCandless.

A SETTLER.—Citizens of Prescott, and all other citizens who may happen to come to Prescott, will find the undersigned at the County Treasurer's office, in the new county building, ready to take and receipt for all debts due for subscription, advertising, job printing, etc., which became due him as proprietor of the ARIZONA MINER previous to February 1, 1875. JOHN H. MARION, feld 1f Prescott, Arizona, February 11, 1875.

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